

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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SUBJECT: SE-41: PROBABLE COMMUNIST REACTIONS TO CERTAIN POSSIBLE
UN/US MILITARY COURSES OF ACTION WITH RESPECT TO
THE KOREAN WAR

ERRATA SHEET TO TEXT DATED 31 MARCH 1953

Paragraph 5, page 5. Delete words as indicated in text as
quoted below:

"5. In order to achieve their over-all objective of weakening and
destroying the Western Powers, as well as to consolidate, strengthen,
and protect the bases of their power, the USSR and Communist China
are united in their intention to expel the West from Asia. ~~and~~
~~particularly in the Korea~~ In Korea, they have appeared for the past
year to be reconciled to the existing military stalemate, ~~in Korea~~
possibly estimating that the US/UN would eventually weary of the
strain and that a solution could then be obtained leading ultimately
to Communist control of all Korea."

Paragraph 6, page 6, footnote 2.

First line, for "dissents" read "dissent".

Paragraph 14, page 10. Change wording as indicated in text quoted
below.

"14. The initial Communist reaction, once such military operations
had begun, would be to counter vigorously. The Chinese Communists

would probably make a maximum ground defense effort against these UNC operations, and would probably also launch strong counter-offensives. They would make a maximum air defense effort over Communist-held territory and ~~might~~ would probably launch air strikes against UNC amphibious operations. (Remainder of paragraph unchanged.)

Paragraph 16, page 11. Substitute following text.

"16. If, on the other hand, the Communists retreated without expanding the war or seeking an armistice, and UN/US forces halted at the waist, the Communists probably would reconstitute their forces and continue the war."

Paragraph 20, page 11, footnote.

In first line, for "SE-27" read "SE-37".